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_PAKISTAN: _AFP _REPORTS _SUNNI-SHI'ITE _CLASH IN _SHIBAGH

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_HONG _KONG _AFP IN _ENGLISH 1620 _GMT 3 _SEP 87

((_EXCERPT)) _ISLAMABAD, _SEPT 3 (_AFP) -- _TWO PEOPLE WERE
KILLED AND
SIX WOUNDED WHEN CLASHES BROKE OUT _THURSDAY BETWEEN _SHI'ITE AND
_SUNNI
_MOSLEMS IN A NORTH WESTERN _PAKISTANI TOWN, LOCAL JOURNALISTS SAID.
_SEVERAL HUNDRED _SHI'ITE _MOSLEMS, COMMEMORATING THE ANNIVERSARY
OF
THE DEATH OF THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD'S GRANDSON IMAM MUSSAIN, HELD A
PROCESSION IN SHIBAGH TOWN, NEAR ATTOCK ABOUT 100 KILOMETRES NORTH
WEST OF HERE.

AFTER PASSING THROUGH A _SUNNI-DOMINATED AREA, THEY STOPPED IN
FRONT OF A MOSQUE WHERE SEVERAL DOZEN _SUNNI MOSLEMS HAD GATHERED TO
PROTEST AGAINST THE LOCAL ADMINISTRATION'S DECISION TO LET THE
PROCESSION GO AHEAD, WITNESSES CONTACTED BY TELEPHONE SAID.

THE _SHI'ITES SHOT AT THE _SUNNIS AND ATTACKED THEM WITH AXES,
KNIVES AND STICKS, WITNESSES SAID, ADDING THAT THE SUNNIS RETALIATED
BY THROWING STONES.

_LOCAL JOURNALISTS QUOTED DOCTORS AS SAYING TWO _SUNNIS DIED ON
THE

SPOT AND AT LEAST SIX WERE TAKEN INTO HOSPITAL, TWO OF THEM IN A
CRITICAL CONDITION WITH HEAD AND ABDOMINAL INJURIES.

SHOPS WERE SAID TO HAVE CLOSED IN ATTOCK AND TRAFFIC WAS STOPPED
IN PROTEST AT THE ATTACK. ((PASSAGE OMITTED))

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